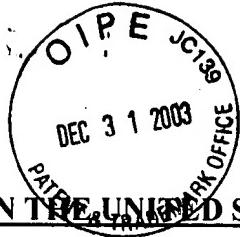


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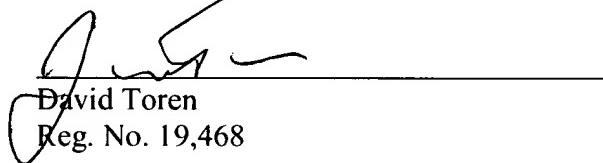
PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for two-month extension of time in response to the Office Action originally dated July 2, 2003 but remailed on August 8, 2003 for the above-identified application.

The required fee of \$420.00, covering the required statutory fee for two month's extension of time, as well as any additional fees which may be required, should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0955. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully Submitted,



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